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IN THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER

When, a few years ago, Unesco published a collection of essays called "Education and Art", lavishly illustrated with children's drawings and paintings, a school teacher friend of mine from the Alps wrote expressing his appreciation of this fine book.

"But," he added, "it's no use deluding oneself. I'm all for allowing children to dabble with paints, to express themselves freely. We get some quite astonishing results. Only once they reach the age of ten or eleven it's all over. There's no colour in their work, no imagination. Of course, in towns it's different—there can be a fresh start at that age. There are big museums and, in some cases, a genuine artistic atmosphere. Whereas here there's nothing that can even conjure up the world of painting and sculpture.

"People say that an artistic sense is inborn. I don't agree. Our old people, up here, who've never had any artistic training, don't even notice the beauty of the alpine landscapes. As for my pupils, suppose I say to them: 'Look at those fir trees, see how magnificent they are', they'll just shake their heads and say: 'yes, but with the cost of transport, wood sells dirt cheap.'"

I've waited till today to answer my friend's letter. Not that I've discovered any new method of solving his problem that would be enthusiastically acclaimed by educators and artists. It's simply that I've met an artist who without a museum or expensive equipment



would be able to instil into children a feeling for beauty and a desire to create.

This artist is no theoretician. She has no degrees and no diplomas. She is the wife of a well-known Calcutta architect, who has children of her own and a large house to run. When she speaks of her work, it is in a shy, different manner: "I don't even know if it's any good," she says.

By "it" she means strange pictures made of leather, straw, felt, etc.; statuettes, which at first seem to be made of porcelain, but which are really shells . . . and especially pieces of wood, the most beautiful of all the work produced by Mrs. Arjun Ray. You cannot really call it sculpture. The sculptor chooses his medium, then, after a good deal of effort, he creates a form. No one save he can foresee what its shape will be; he alone decides. Here, on the contrary it is the wood which decides. A wealth of forms and patterns lie hidden in these twisted roots and dead branches. . . . The artist has merely helped to bring them to life.

One of the "statuettes" is called "After Me Cometh One". Mrs. Ray didn't get up one morning saying: "I'm going to do a statuette of St. John the Baptist." She found a branch lying on the grass split at one end and shaped like a trident at the other. She picked it up. To her it conjured up the image of an ascetic



prophet, arms raised. Others might not have accepted that interpretation. But on returning home, Mrs. Ray scraped off some of the bark, removed a knot in the wood, deepened a notch and accentuated the relief—and there was the prophet, the locust eater, clad in a goat skin, "crying in the wilderness".

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Polished, varnished and impregnated with oils against vermin and humidity, but never painted, the piece of sap-wood, bark or root becomes a work of art. It is mounted on a base and anyone, whatever his age and position in life, will recognize it as a "living" shape: two wrestlers struggling desperately together, a screaming monster, the great Hand of peace . . . Yet without Mrs. Arjun Ray, these works of art would be no more than twisted roots and brambles and branches of deodar, cedar and gardenia.

It seems to me that my teacher friend might draw a useful lesson from the work of the lady in Calcutta. I repeat: there's nothing novel about it. But a lesson doesn't have to be a revelation of genius to be useful. A sense of form stems from the things you see rather than from acquired knowledge. Or rather, the sense and taste for shape and form depends on a capacity to look at things. As Paul Valéry put it. "Examine all things on earth as though you had never seen them before." Mrs. Arjun Ray "sees" a frail

dancer in a broken twig which a dozen people have passed by without a thought. In much the same way a painter sees limitless combinations of shapes and colours in a composition which the layman would describe as "a window, a table and a flower pot."

Most children aged between 4 and 6 are capable of viewing the world in the same perspective as the painter, though, of course, in a less sophisticated way. Children are very sensitive to shapes and their world is rich in metaphors. A stone is always something more beautiful than a stone, a leaf is like silk, or like a face or a butterfly. The child picks up a bit of paper or an old button as if it were a bird or a shell. Pompously, the adult tries to define categories and species: "This is such and such a mineral. That is such and such a mountain. This is clean, that's dirty." But the child says to himself: "It's like . . . a lion, an angel, a shoe. It's like . . . "

To come back to my village teacher. I wonder whether he and his fellow teachers should not allow their 10- and 12-year-old pupils to continue this game of make-believe. Let them go on searching for images, with a vision of a world that is fascinating because it is infinitely varied—because everything must be seen, and each thing represents a hundred, a thousand other things. Grown-ups take a narrow, overall and materialistic view of things, distinguishing only what is useful or stereotyped. To allow children to escape from this fate for as long as possible is to enable them to remain artists.

Through learning to see things, to feel and imagine them, children also learn to "isolate" them. The strollers who did not notice the twig from which Mrs. Arjun Ray produced the figure of a dancer cannot fail to recognize the finished work: the dancer stands gracefully poised, ready to spring to life. True the artist has added a few touches to the guava branch, revealing what she could already see. But what really brings the dancing girl to life is that she stands out alone on an empty background. To use a rather worn simile: on a wall covered with pictures, each one of them is invisible.

I suggest, therefore, that my friend from the mountain school should get his pupils to display in class once or twice a week the natural "masterpieces" picked up during a walk, polished and "brought to life" by some minor alteration. At first they will believe that the form or pattern is due chiefly to chance. But, gradually, they will come to understand that no thing of beauty—whether it be a branch, a fir tree, marble or precious stone—is really beautiful until our eyes have "learned to see" it. There is enormous scope for children in this "game".

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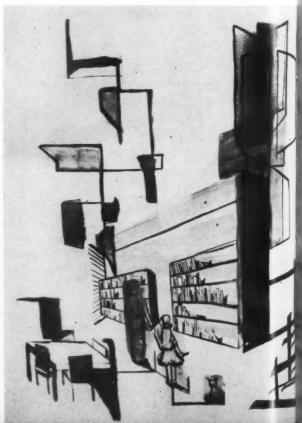


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"School Library"—Linda Buie, Age 12, Landon High, Jacksonville, Fla. In June, the regional art associations' screening committees* of the International School Art Program met in San Francisco, Denver, Atlanta and Alexandria, Virginia with members of the American Junior Red Cross. They viewed 6,393 paintings sent in by 157 participating chapters from 28 states. 4,028 of these were packaged for export to between 30 and 40 cooperating Red Cross Societies.

What happened to 1,944 of these entries? Mr. Warren Anderson, of the Pacific screening committee singled out a number of this year's rejected items for a study of "what not to do" in art instruction, particularly as related to our program. Here are some of his observations:

"A large percentage of the paintings and drawings submitted for screening were outstanding . . . The motive behind the program is extremely worthwhile ... some of the weaknesses: copies from post cards, etc., lack personal involvement. Animal copies from calendars, placed in idyllic setting, are remote from reality. Students, mature in years, still rely on symbols developed in primary grades. Many entries were pure exercises in perspective; this is one way to learn perspective, but it is lacking in commentary on a way of life. Stereotypes-juvenile fishermen, reposing against a tree in sylvan setting. Many paintings . . . barren, no activity . . . an empty stage, conveying or communicating nothing. 'Pretty' pictures . . . covered bridges entirely foreign to the ones who painted them."

These things did happen in the year 1958-59 of our art instruction.

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These committees are looking for lively, interpretive expressions of personal experiences PLUS ART QUALITY. Great joy and great sorrow come to these art educators who have the opportunity of viewing hundreds of paintings. Out of the screening experience emerges the realization that the I.S.A.P. can serve a purpose beyond the main objective—communication between the youth of the world through visual statements. These exhibits can be national indicators of the effectiveness of art education in the United States, as indeed they are sometimes regarded

in foreign countries. No other vehicle for such measurement exists in the N.A.E.A. at the present time.

In July, at the National Red Cross Headquarters in Washington, 221 paintings were selected for one year's domestic use. Four exhibits go to the area Red Cross Headquarters for area distribution. Each of these exhibits contains a cross-section of paintings from over the nation.

For the first time a national exhibit of 32 of these paintings will be available from the N.A.E.A. head-quarters in Washington for use in local museums. The other exhibits may be obtained through local Red Cross Chapters, which also can secure, upon request, film strips of previous exhibits. A variety of techniques, media, subject matter and geographical sources make this national exhibit an extremely interesting one. At the end of the year these exhibits will be exported for the purposes for which they were painted.

These purposes have been well and eloquently stated during the 12 years of the I.S.A.P. program-"Art makes us nearer apart," "Windows on the World," "Art and World Comradeship," "Making Friends around the World". Consider this statement by Helen Copley Gordon in a Detroit bulletin: "Cultural interchange between nations makes groups aware of each other's human qualities. Politics often stress the differences between groups, art emphasizes the similarities. The expressions of the mind and spirit are the ingredients which give unity to mankind, over space, over time and even over language." Or as Jack Bookbinder of Philadelphia states it very simply and beautifully: A child's painting is an experience felt, formed, and finally shared. As a language, art transcends the barriers of time and space. The art of our children, sent abroad as tokens of good will, is rich in the pleasure of giving and makes possible the joy of receiving-the beginnings of a bond that can and should grow stronger with the years."

The partnership of the American Junior Red Cross has made this program possible. Deputy Director Edward A. Richards has provided inspired and dedicated supervision and continuity since its inception in 1947. Dr. Richards will write an article for early publication in this journal on the destination of the paintings.

The four reproductions of paintings illustrate the similarity of experiences the nation over and at the same time point up a tenet in our philosophy that art is an individual matter.

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TEACHING ART

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MARY McMULLAN

PART 1

TO THOSE WHO ARE TEACHING ART

Your Influence Is Vital

This is a message to teachers and supervisors of art who are the key persons recruiting the art teacher of the future. The philosopher, Henry James, once said, "A teacher affects eternity. We can never tell where his influence stops." For example, have you suggested a career of teaching art to a promising student this past year? Have you expressed enthusiasm and love of the teaching profession to a group of pupils in the past week? Remember that most teachers have entered the teaching profession upon the advice and counsel of an admired teacher. You can, you should do all these things and also make sure that a young person interested in art teaching receives this material.

Illinois' Answer to the Art Teacher Shortage

Art educators in Illinois had long been concerned about recruitment of art teachers. It was suggested during a conversation with several Illinois Art Educators that we organize a group devoted to recruitment; and this became The Art Education Foundation. A charter was received under the general Not for Profit Act of Illinois on the twenty-seventh day of December, nineteen hundred forty-nine (1949). A Board of Directors made up of art educators interested in art recruitment throughout the State of Illinois started work on various projects.

The work of the Foundation has been made possible by individual contributions of time, money and ideas. It has also received financial support from the Illinois Art Education Association.

Colored Slides Attract Youth to Art Teaching: The first project of the Foundation was the production of a series of fifty-five (55) kodachrome slides, a sequential portrayal of the training of an art teacher. The script and pictures were produced by a graduate art student at Illinois State Normal University. It depicts all phases of art training in design, art techniques and student teaching. The slide series was duplicated into four copies and housed at Illinois State Normal University for distribution to Illinois schools upon request. It is not available outside Illinois. The hundreds of requests from PTA's, Future Teachers Associations and High Schools for assembly programs is evidence of the popularity of the slide series.

A Career Pamphlet Devoted to "Teaching Art as Career": A career pamphlet containing the materic reproduced on the following pages was produced an distributed free to 450 art educators, libraries, an school superintendents in Illinois. You might want to d something like this in your own state.

A Poster Project to Recruit Teachers: The Foundatic promoted a poster project to stimulate interest in a teaching as a career. A poster exhibition was held at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago in the fall at 1957. The purpose of the project was twofold—one was to urge young persons to consider the advantages at teaching as they design posters—two was the reproduction of worthy posters for distribution to school throughout Illinois. The purpose was also served as a educators, superintendents, and principals received an read the recruitment material for the poster project. Two posters were selected and 400 reproductions of each will be distributed to Illinois schools during the 1959-'6' school year.

What About the Future?

Recruitment by means of booklets, films and schola-ships can only be accomplished on a state or national level. The Art Education Foundation of Illinois has been able to produce and distribute some helpful material, but there is need for materials that can only be profuably produced by some organization of national scope. The National Art Education Association and the Crayon, Water Color and Craft Institute, Inc. has recognized the need by producing this material.

A Directory of Illinois Institutions Offering Degrees in the Teaching of Art: A directory for counselors, librarians, and art teachers in Illinois was recently produced and distributed by the Foundation. It contains a description of requirements for art education degrees offered by Illinois Colleges and art schools. The physical facilities and scholarship opportunities are listed along with the name of the person to contact for further information. This material places a simple reference in the files of school personnel who advise young people regarding educational opportunities.

Student Art Exhibition from Illinois Institutions: The latest project of the Foundation is an exhibition of student art work from art education departments of Illinois colleges and art schools. The exhibition will be available to junior and senior high schools in the state of Illinois.

PART 2

TO THOSE WHO ARE CONSIDERING ART TEACHING AS A CAREER

Are You Aware of the Challenge in Teaching Art?

One of the great rewards in teaching is the satisfaction that comes from helping young people to live happier, healthier, richer lives. As an art teacher you will find that young people express their dreams, desires, and hopes with their special interests, special abilities, and special problems. You will have a unique opportunity to help them grow. Every day offers new challenge and new adventure; for you will be exploring, discovering, experimenting, and creating along with the children. You can make a difference in many people's lives.

As a teacher of art your influence on people might spark:

Drab, dull lives into bright, happy ones.

Disorganized, harassed lives into organized, confident ones.

Aimless, monotonous lives into productive, varied ones.

You can be the means of helping children to find themselves, to develop their potential, to become useful members of our democratic society.

You can help to make a Better World. The trend in our civilization is toward more and more industrialization, more and more machine made goods; more buying and selling of standardized products. Our scientific and industrial advances have been so rapid that most people have not learned to use the desired benefits and still lead happy, healthy lives. Many people are living under tension all of the time, literally running as fast as they can just to stand still. We are living in a time of ills, pills, psychiatrists, and heart attacks. People are buying more and more products of the machine age and are creating and producing less and less as individuals. In all phases of life—home, church, school, community and government-most people are observers rather than participants. In other words they are becoming less and less creative.

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As an art teacher your service to society would be of great importance. You would be helping people to become more creative in their thinking and in their actions. You can help them:

By stimulating children to develop their imagination through art experiences.

By encouraging children to seek solutions to the problems they face in their lives.

By challenging children so that they may design a new and better world for the future in which art has an important part.

Have You Considered Your Qualifications?

First, what is your P.Q. (Personality Quotient)?

Ask yourself these questions:

Do you like to work and play with children?

Do you like the challenge of tackling hard jobs and seeing them through to completion?

Do most people like you?

Do you have ideas and do you carry them out?

Do you take an interest in other people's ideas?

Are you a thoughtful, helpful person?

Do you try to appear your best at all times?

Do you consider the advice of others and use it when practical?

Do you like to see people succeed in their endeavors?

Do you enjoy working with groups—in making scenery, a puppet show or a mural?

Do you like a good laugh even when the joke is on you?

Do you like to help make things better in your neighborhood, your nation, your world?

Second, what is your A.Q. (Art Quotient)?

Does art interest you intensely?

Do you find your greatest enjoyment in creative art activities?

Do you go to museums whenever you have the opportunity?

Do you like to read about art and artists?

Do you experiment with materials to find new ways of doing things?

Do you enjoy working with a variety of art materials and processes?

Do you like to paint, to model and to construct?

If you rate high in all of these things, then you will probably like teaching art. In the teaching profession you will have a chance to share your talents and interests with others and to develop creative thinking and doing.

Third, what are your extra-curricular interests? Are you doing some or all of the following things?

Engaging in art activities in your spare time.

Observing art as it is used in your community.

Displays in store windows.

Advertising in newspapers, magazines, and T.V.

Architecture and landscaping used in your own community.

Participating in a wide variety of art activities while you are in high school.

Take classes that include dress design, art in the home, industrial art, commercial art, fine art.

Help with stage sets, costumes, program covers, posters, party decorations.

Arrange bulletin boards and exhibits.

Volunteering to help in the instruction of young children.

To help in an elementary school classroom if your high school adviser approves.

To take care of young children in your home and neighborhood.

Assisting in youth organizations such as:

Recreation programs and art classes sponsored by clubs, Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., parks and playgrounds. Boy and Girl Scouts, Brownie Scouts, Campfire Girls, 4H Clubs, Cub Scouts, Sunday School classes, Vacation Bible Schools.

Nursery schools.

Fourth, how can you become an art teacher?

Investigate the resources in your school library.

Catalogs of colleges and art schools that specialize in the preparation of art teachers.

Scholarships available through the college or university of your choice and your State Superintendent of Public instruction.

Films, film strips, slides that give you information about teaching.

Magazines and books on art and teaching that are in your school and public library. Here are a few titles: Teaching As a Career, a bulletin by Earl W. Anderson, U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Bulletin No. 2, 1955.

Teaching Is Exciting, by Margaret Wasson, Association for Childhood Education, Internationa Bulletin, No. 88, 1951, Washington, D. C.

This Is Teaching, Marie Rasey. Harper and Brother of New York, 1950.

The Arts in the Classroom, a book by Natalie Rob inson Cole. The John Day Company of New York If you are in high school, you should investigate the requirements needed to qualify you as an art teacher.

You should choose an institution which places a strong emphasis upon preparing teachers of art. Writto the art education department of the college or as school which interests you for further information.

You will need to take college courses which provid you with a clear understanding of child growth and development. A successful teaching career will depend upon your understanding of children as well a your knowledge of art.

You will need a broad general education. This is necessary in order that you may take your place is society as a person of culture and general intelligence not just a specialist who has no understanding of othe important fields of endeavor.



You should learn as many art skills and techniques as possible. A broad background in crafts as well as painting and sculpture is necessary for today's art teacher.

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It is important that you learn how and when art techniques may be used to best advantage at various grade levels in relationship to the growth and development of the individual child.

You should learn to use the English language effectively in written and spoken form. You should develop poise in presenting ideas to groups of people. You should have an opportunity to observe school children of all ages.

You should have a period of practice teaching under the supervision of a qualified supervisor of art.

oday there are many positions open in the art eduation field. When you have completed your college preparation, the Placement Bureau of your school elps you to secure one of the many positions in art open throughout the country.

Have You Considered Salary and Other Benefits?

Today, teachers can expect an adequate salary and the added security of tenure after several years of service in a school system. School districts vary widely in initial salaries paid, in the amount of annual increases, in the number of steps in the schedule, and in the additional amount paid teachers for additional college preparation. On the whole salaries for teaching are good. In 1959 many communities offered annual salaries for beginning teachers of more than \$4,400. The average was about \$3,600. These figures are being revised upward in relation to supply and demand. Most schools

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Teacher retirement benefits add incentive to choosing education as your career. Many retirement policies offer benefits for illness and accidents. The security provided in a teaching position today is better than the protection guaranteed in most other professions.

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Periodicals In Review

Early indications for the new art season are tha the critics are getting restless. "We are . . . at a important turning point in the relation of the artis to society, and therefore on the eve of a change i art itself," according to the editors of the third Art Annual titled Paris/New York. Without prophesyin the direction the change will take, the editors presen color reproductions of paintings by "24 Painters o the 1950s", take your own choice. While maintainin that they are examining the current situation in ar quite objectively, there are ominous forebodings fo abstract expressionists in another article "Jackso" Pollock and Nicolas de Staël, Two Painters and Thei Myths" in which editor Hilton Kramer thoroughl depreciates the work of Jackson Pollock. Also include in the volume are a well-illustrated article dealing with photographs of Paris and New York and a serie of monographic articles on Milton Avery, Vieira d Silva, Ben Benn, Tal Coat, Franz Kline, Jean Dubuffet Louise Nevelson, Jean Helion, Richard Pousette-Dart Alberto Giacometti and Richard Stankiewicz.

A further warning that abstract expressionists are now fair game for critics appears in the maiden article of John Canaday, the newly-appointed New York Times art editor in the Sunday, September 6th issue of that newspaper. Concluding the article Canaday observes that "we (the critics) have been had. In the most wonderful and terrible time of history, the abstract expressionists have responded with the narrowest and most lop-sided art on record. Never before have painters found so little in so much".

It sounds as though the critics have decided that all profitable copy has been bled from one source and are busy sowing the seeds of future copy.

Change in architecture is described by Robin Boyd in his article "The Counter-revolution in Architecture" in the September issue of *Harper's Magazine*. He points out the dissipation of vitality in the "glass box-style" of architecture as indicated by its gingerbread encrustations in Edward D. Stone's latest works. The newer direction in architecture is exemplified by the curved, birdlike forms of Saarinen's latest structures, such as the Yale Hocky Rink and the TWA Terminal. Boyd cautions that whether their buildings be box or bird form, they must be functional. Having mastered structural problems and served functional requirements, the architect who is a great artist will create structures

which are truly expressive. The possibilities of boxes having been exhausted, Boyd sees the immediate future of architecture to be for birds.

September's issue of School Arts presents an innovation in a roving reporter type column "Issues of the Day" which is planned as a regular feature. Each month several persons are asked a question pertinent to the day. The first question concerns the emphasis placed on drawing in the program of public schools and professional art schools. While the idea seems a good one, the answers, one by myself, suffer from the extreme limitations of space. It is difficult to express a rounded and thoughtful response in one paragraph without either saying nothing or putting oneself on the end of a limb with statements which need amplification.

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New Books

The Language of Art by Philip C. Beam. The Ronald Press Company, New York, 1958.

Heretofore, most histories of art have placed emphasis upon the "history" with the "art" playing an important but subsidiary role. The other side of this coin have been the various books about graphidesign or pictorial structure. Here, the emphasis if upon the visual language's common communicative elements; the "historical" factors, especially a sens of inclusiveness and ordered chronology are either minimal or missing. Professor Beam in The Language of Art has attempted a synthesis of these two point of view by surveying ". . . the field of art as comprehensively as possible by studying some of the main principles that have underlain artistic expression for centuries and [to] note some current theories about them."

To accomplish this Gargantuan task, Professor Bean discusses first the nature of art. He examines the psy chology of seeing, the various problems of visua control, as well as the universals in art.

In the second part of the book the various Methods of Art are presented. Here one finds chapters do voted to modes of painting, drawing, sculpture, and the abstract arts (under which is listed architecture.) Here also, one finds a brief survey of the various media of art; e.g., mosaics, tapestry, stained glass, etc. The elements of spacial and color design are found in this section of the book.

Part III provides a brief, but very insightful and exciting introduction to the historical aspects of art. The similarities and differences between Eastern and Western Art are taken up, as well as the question of periods in art, and the nature and measure of individuality.

An appendix provides a valuable guide as to period and chronology, while a sensitively selected bibliography suggests avenues for further study and understanding.

Here, in total, is one of the most comprehensive, scholarly, and original approaches to the complex of art that has come to this reviewer's attention. A must for the college library, an excellent text for both design and art history classes.

Picasso at Vallauris, Reynal and Company, Publishers, 221 East 49th Street, New York 17, New York, 1959. Price \$10.00.

This volume presents a collection of 15 full color reproductions plus eighty-five monochromes of the

paintings, drawings, sculpture, and ceramics done by Picasso at Vallauris during the period 1949-51. The paintings, done primarily in Picasso's mature and expressive style, are for the most part somber in colora paradox perhaps, since many depict his youthful wife and young children. The symbols we have come to associate with Picasso's work-the owl, the bull, the pregnant woman, the fish, the cock—are all present. Especially impressive are a goodly number of very powerful line and wash drawings.

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The text consists of three essays (the original French is included) written by Daniel Henry Kahnweiler, Odysseus Elytis, and George Ramic. Serge Hughes provides the English translation.

Technically this book is of high quality; the color reproductions are very good as are the black and white photos, all of which help to communicate to the reader the intense vitality and inventiveness of Picasso's personality.

The final color reproduction "Massacre in Korea" is perhaps the most controversial from a content point of view. Of it Kahnweiler says, "... this overwhelming work, so far above the anecdote, has universal meaning in its vehement protest against brutality, against the crushing of the weak and unprotected." One can not help wondering if the Hungarian Revolt and the Tibetan Uprising will stir Picasso to similar statements. Painting Boats and Harbors by Harry R. Ballinger,

Watson Guptill Publications, Inc., 24 West 40th Street, New York 18, New York, 1959. Price \$8.50.

It was Lincoln, I believe, who said, "Beware of the man of one book." This might well be an admonition concerning artists—"Beware of the artist of one subject." All too often, we find that such an artist is enamured of his subject-rather than art. Historically, there is considerable evidence to indicate that the greatest paintings in any very specialized area are not made by artists who specialize in the area but rather by people with broad general interests. The greatest marine painters, for example, are not solely painters of the sea; Turner, Homer, Ryder, Hartley, Marin-all show variety in subject matter.

Similarly, one may well look askance at painting books which are organized around tight little subject matter areas. "Where," ask yourself, "will the fragmentary approach end?" After "Boats and Harbors" one might well go on to "Painting Cars, Trucks, and Highways"; then to "Trains and Tracks" etc. If one wants to learn about painting, one should study the basic concepts of pictorial structure.

For these reasons, I do not recommend Painting Boats and Harbors for the beginner. The basic problems of picture making are just not explained in sufficontinued page 22

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A restricted school curriculum which denies the less academically talented an opportunity to achieve a measure of success can spark delinquent behavior by spontaneous combustion. It can do the same by confining the more able student to a dull and slow learning routine.

The unsuccessful, or frustrated pupil then discovers that the way for him to impress others, and to "prove" that he is not as dumb as his report card suggests, is to show them that he is good at something—"even though it be stealing, breaking windows, or carrying on gang warfare."

These ideas are among those presented in the second and final report* of the National Education Association's one-year study of juvenile delinquency and what it means to the schools. They represent data gathered at 11 regional conferences in which several hundred professionals participated, and at one national conference attended by 200 educators and others concerned with delinquency and related fields.

The report, titled *Delinquent Behavior: Principles* and *Practices*, enumerates eight general principles which should guide the schools in efforts to prevent and control juvenile delinquency. Working from these general principles, the authors have set up, under each category, an amplifying statement of how these principles can be put into practice. Each such section of the 348-page book is followed by a report on what is actually being done along these lines in many specific school districts in the country.

Several hundred schools and other state and community agencies contributed descriptions of their programs to these sections of the report.

The theoretical basis for the practical steps proposed in the final report was laid earlier this year in the first report: Delinquent Behavior: Culture and the Individual. This defined juvenile delinquency as behavior that is characteristic of the youths in lower class urban communities whose conduct is in keeping with their primary group—the street corner gang—but at the same time violates the standards of the predominant middle class.

From this point of view, what the sociologists call "norm violating behavior," or juvenile delinquency, is often the "standard" or even the "demanded" behavior in the primary reference group of the delinquent, which is the street corner gang.

"For the boy in the street corner gang," these reports say, "shooting craps, drinking, truanting, swearing, and staying out all night may represent status and

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prestige-achieving conduct within his gang—his primary reference group—although these activities maviolate rules and regulations of the legal-societa system."

The report concluded that most juvenile delinquent are essentially "normal" youngsters, reacting normall to their own environment. The key question to be faced by those who would alter the situation becomes "What techniques can be used to orient norm-violating individuals in the population toward a law-abiding lower class way of life?"

Here, then, is the eight-point program authors of the report propose for the schools:

- 1. The classroom teacher has the major responsibility for early identification of potential juvenile delinquents, and for referring them to an appropriate source of help. The teacher should maintain adequate records and anecdotal reports of every pupil taugh so that accurate and up-to-date information will havailable when needed.
- 2. The teacher should make every effort to enable each pupil, including norm violators, to achieve his potential. The teacher must try to build for the lower class pupil pride in his past, confidence in his present and hope for the future. Regular conferences with parents are important. Teachers should try to handle behavior problems within the classroom until they become so extreme that they upset others in class: then the teacher should seek other assistance.
- 3. The school should have a curriculum that provides equality of educational opportunity for all, irrespective of varying abilities, special talents and disabilities. The school program that over-emphasizes a narrow one-track academic curriculum for the college-bound tends to deny equal opportunity to others, may make second and third-class citizens of the less academically inclined students, and may precipitate manifestations of delinquent behavior among them.

Early drop-outs, frequently the forerunner of delinquency, are often due to the failure of a one-track curriculum to stimulate or hold the student whose interests and capacities are not academic.

The report cites a New York study that found the incidence of delinquency there was four and a half times higher among children with low IQ's than among those with high IQ's. In this situation the school often became a source of failure and frustration to which the child responded by rebelling.

4. The classroom teacher should realize that there are limits to what he can accomplish alone. The school should have an integrated system of special services

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to help norm violators. These may often be helped only through the special skills of such people as guidance workers, psychometrists, school nurses and doctors, psychologists, caseworkers, speech therapists, remedial reading experts, and psychiatrists. Small schools should seek part-time help of this sort, or plan to meet such needs on a regional, county, or state basis.

5. A few norm violators cannot be helped in the regular classroom. These youngsters require special facilities, both for their own benefit and for the welfare of the majority of students. Such facilities should be special classrooms in the school or special study and treatment centers in the community or county. There are, in addition, a very few seriously emotionally disturbed children who should be placed in a special hospital center.

6. Few parents are wilfully negligent or have any desire to raise delinquent children. The school should work with the family in a common endeavor to achieve what is best for the child. When a working relationship with the parents cannot be accomplished, the school must stand in loco parentis and enlist the cooperation of some family service agency to aid the student.

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7. The school should open its doors to the police, courts, and state or local youth authorities when its students come to their attention as serious norm violators. By sharing information through joint study and planning, personnel from school, legal agencies, and the courts can do much for the present and future welfare of the student.

8. The school should recognize that delinquency prevention and control is a community problem and the responsibility of everybody in the community. The role of the school should be to provide leadership in a community wide effort. Only as a last resort in the face of community apathy does the school work on the problem independently.

To those who might be tempted to say that juvenile delinquency is not properly the problem of the schools, but rather is a matter for the police, the juvenile courts, or the social agencies of a community, the contributors indicate that the principle of universal education accepted in the United States gives to the schools a responsibility for the delinquent that does not differ essentially from their responsibility to all other children or to other "special children—the blind, the deaf, the crippled, and the mentally retarded, "or even the gifted."

21st Kutztown Art Conference

The 21st Annual Art Education Conference, sponsored by Kutztown State Teachers College, was held on November 6, 1959 on the college campus.

The theme of this one day Conference was CREA-TIVE EDUCATION: CRAFTSMANSHIP AND CUL-TURE. This Conference is aimed at spelling out several issues of creativity which were touched upon during the 20th Conference.

Dr. Michael F. Andrews, Dual Professor of Art and Education, Syracuse University, keynoted the conference with an address on "Creativity: Craftsmanship and Culture" at 10:00 A.M. in the Nathan C. Schaeffer Auditorium. This address was followed by discussion groups which considered two basic problems: Is the proposed act of experiencing so pre-planned that the "doing" is more mechanical than creative? What is the relationship in a work of art between image and spectator?

Harry Bertoia, internationally acclaimed metal sculptor, discussed his created forms and their relation to nature as a feature of the Conference luncheon.

Miss Dorothy Barclay, Parent and Child Editor, the New York Times, delivered an address on "The Creative Personality" following the Conference Dinner.

A symposium composed of four art educators and chaired by Dr. Andrews considered several provocative issues related to the theme. Also featured in the afternoon were pupil demonstrations aimed at pointing up the approaches to creativity at differing age levels.

Exhibits ranged from a national collection of children's art based on visits to the zoo to serigraphs by Sister Mary Corita of Immaculate Heart College, Los Angeles.

Pacific Arts Association Bulletin Honors Frank Lloyd Wright

The Summer issue of the PAA Bulletin which pays tribute to Frank Lloyd Wright was originally discussed with him in October, 1958. Mr. Wright was delighted to give permission to the Association to honor his 90th birthday in this manner and the publication is certainly an excellent one. It contains four articles relating to Mr. Wright and his work and has several pages of photographs. Four pages of photographs are in color and reprinted from the pages of Arizona Highways Magazine. Copies of this publication are available for \$1.00 by writing to: Mrs. Louise Haskin, Executive Secretary, PAA, Art Department, Arizona State College, Tempe, Arizona.

Wisconsin Art Education Association

The Wisconsin Art Education Association met at the new Saarinen designed Milwaukee Art Center on November 5th and 6th. Edwin Lewandowski addressed the meeting concerning his recently installed mosaics on the facade of the building. Also featured was a tour built on the theme "Murals in Milwaukee." Mr. Rolf Hickman, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, was chairman of the meeting.

Eastern Arts Association Convention Plans Announced

The 44th Convention of the Eastern Arts Association will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., April 2-6, 1960 at the Sheraton Hotel. The Theme of the convention is Looking Ahead in Art Education. 1960 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Eastern Arts Association, an affiliate of the National Art Education Association.

Features of the convention will be four general sessions with speakers and panel groups from the fields of art education and related areas, discussion groups, film showings, tours and field trips to metropolitan Philadelphia schools, colleges and studios, demonstrations and educational and commercial exhibits.

Ruth M. Ebken, Vice President of the Eastern Arts Association is Convention Program Chairman. Miss Ebken is an Art Supervisor, Board of Education, Pittsburgh, Pa. Dr. Harold R. Rice, President of Moore Institute of Art, Philadelphia, Pa., is president of the Eastern Arts Association.

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cient detail nor in universal terms. In color, for example, we are told about the "Ballinger Palette" and "tips" on color mixing; if the reader is without an understanding of color theory, such information might well prove more confusing than enlightening. Like criticism is pertinent regarding drawing and perspective which are treated in a superficial manner.

This is not to say that the book is valueless, to the contrary, there are many valuable hints tucked here and there throughout which are well worth the having; best of all, perhaps, is the permeating sense of personality. The author's interest in, and love of, the sea and boats is omnipresent in both text and in his many competent oils (nearly one hundred line, half-tone, and color plates). As one views the many harbor scenes one can almost hear the lines from "The Wind in the Willows."

Nice? It's the *only* thing . . . believe me, my young friend there is *nothing*—absolutely nothing—half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats . . .

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Girl Scouts Initiate Arts Caravan

Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. will send an Arts Caravan on an anticipated three-year tour of Girl Scout councils around the country to bring leaders up-to-date training in the arts. Announcement of the project was made recently by Mrs. Charles U. Culmer, national president.

The caravan, a specially equipped station wagon, will carry films and filmstrips, arts and craft supplies, a sewing machine, books, records and exhibit material for use in training courses, institutes and workshops in literature, dramatics, music, dancing, and arts and crafts. It will be staffed by three art specialists: Mrs. Alta Schroll, Director, of Leavenworth, Kansas; Miss Ruth Ward, of South Orange, New Jersey, and Miss Itsu Suzaki, of Tokyo, Japan.

The traveling exhibit was formally launched on October 5, 1959 from Welcome House Museum in Little Silver, New Jersey. Its first stop was Fair Haven, New Jersey, where more than 75 leaders from Girl Scout councils in south and central Jersey attended a four-day training course from October 6 through October 9.

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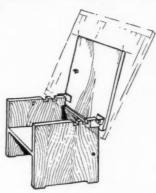
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